

## AMERICAN CRUISER ORDERED TO VERA CRUZ; ULTIMATUM FOR CARRANZA?

DEADLOCK IN  
GREECE OVER  
WAR POLICIESPopular Feeling Supports  
Aggressive Premier  
Who Resigned

## SUPPORTER OF ALLIES

Break Comes When King Con-  
stantine Disapproves of His  
Chief's Position.Amsterdam, March 8.—For the first  
time since Admiral Beatty engaged  
the German squadron in the North sea  
the latter part of January, heavy gun-  
nery, according to a dispatch from  
Holland, was heard in that sea  
today.London, March 8.—Dispatches from  
Athens report the situation there  
gave rise to a political deadlock  
over the question whether the  
country should intervene in the war on  
the side of the allies. M. Zaimis, gov-  
ernor of the National Bank of Greece,  
has not yet shown any indication of  
being able to get together a new cabi-  
net to succeed that of Premier Venizelos,  
which resigned Saturday be-  
cause King Constantine did not ap-  
prove the premier's aggressive policy  
for participation in the war. The  
king is considered to desire a con-  
tinuation of neutrality. An Athens  
dispatch says popular feeling is with  
Venizelos.Members of the Dardanelles  
which is primarily responsible for  
the present situation in Greece, has  
been also on other nations. Dis-  
patches say the Balkan minister  
has presented a statement concerning  
his government's position.Public opinion in Italy is aroused,  
although there are no indications that  
the nation will change its policy of  
armed neutrality at this time.A Paris newspaper says at the re-  
cent battle in Notre Dame Delorette  
the Germans lost 2,000 men. Although  
they captured three lines of French  
cavalry, they are said to have been  
repelled from them in a fierce night  
battle.Fighting in the Carpathians contin-  
ues without decisive victory on either  
side. The Austrians are still on the  
offensive, an official statement from  
Belgrade says, but apparently neither  
side has given ground. In northern  
Poland the Germans are holding their  
positions firmly. At Riga the Ger-  
mans claim to have captured 2,400  
Russians.Today's official statements indicate  
there was no fighting of great im-  
portance yesterday. The French claim  
slight gains in Champagne and Lor-  
raine. Berlin asserts French attacks  
in Champagne were repulsed.Release of the American cotton ship  
Pacific indicates Premier Asquith's  
cavalry policy has not yet been re-  
vised by an order in council. An an-  
nouncement of reduction of Trans-Atlantic  
passenger rates as a result of subma-  
rine operations may precipitate a rate  
war unless passengers are willing to  
pay higher prices for the safety of  
the American flag.

## Describes Canal Battle.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 8.—A bat-  
tle between French and British cruis-  
ers and Turkish land forces command-  
ed by German officers along the Suez  
canal was described today by Captain  
Tulloch, of the British steamer Nan-  
eric, arrived from Calcutta. The Nan-  
eric reached the entrance of the canal  
Feb. 1 but was not allowed to pro-  
ceed because of the battle between the  
allies and Turks near Ismailia."The Turks," said Tulloch, "attemp-  
ed to cross the canal but were repulsed  
by the allies, who directed upon them  
fire not only of field pieces but big  
guns of several warships. Both sides  
of the canal were plagued with dead  
bodies and many victims rolled into  
the water. The loss of life was very  
great and the Turks appeared demor-  
alized. After several days' delay the  
Naneric was permitted to proceed to  
Port Said."ATLANTIC FARE IS  
REDUCED TO \$50London, March 8.—Second class pas-  
sage across the Atlantic has been  
reduced to \$50 on all Cunard line steam-  
ers including the Lusitania. It is be-  
lieved it will result in a diversion of  
traffic from British steamers to vessels  
flying the American flag.Golconda, Ill.—Mrs. Juliet Field, for  
20 years proprietor of the Field house  
died at her home.WILL CONFISCATE  
COTTON CARGOESALLIES TO SEIZE ALL SHIPS CAR-  
RYING SUPPLIES TO THE  
ENEMY.Washington, D. C., March 8.—The  
British embassy today announced  
there was no question of confiscating  
cotton cargoes that may come within  
the scope of the order-in-council to be  
issued, that an arrangement had been  
made in London as to cotton consigned  
to neutrals only. The order-in-  
council, it is understood, will indicate  
conditions under which not only cot-  
ton, but all other supplies may go  
forward to Sweden, Norway, Holland,  
Denmark, and certain neutrals in south-  
ern Europe, with the single reservation  
that Germany and Austria shall not  
profit thereby. Today's arrangement  
is regarded as of great importance, as it  
is the first actual notice of a purpose  
of the allies to cut off all supplies  
from Austria and Germany. An announce-  
ment was made after a conference be-  
tween the British ambassador, Senator  
Smith of Georgia and the cotton inter-  
ests.London, March 8.—No belligerent  
government has the right to requisition  
a cargo belonging to a neutral govern-  
ment according to a decree of the  
prize court today. The issue arose  
over 1,000 tons of copper from the  
United States to Sweden, for use of  
contractors to the Swedish govern-  
ment. The cargo was captured by  
British warships and an export order  
was made by the registrar of the prize  
court releasing the copper to the British  
government, which desired it for  
making guns. The Swedish owners of  
the copper protested and the president  
of the admiralty court decided in  
favor of Sweden. The president said  
the copper could not be disposed of  
pending a prize proceeding still to be  
made before the court.Rome, March 8.—A Genoa dispatch  
states 15,000 tons of rice, oats and  
beans from Seville, Spain, consigned  
to Germany, have been sequestered at  
Genoa, a seaport in the Gulf of Genoa.ANARCHIST SAYS  
HE IS NOT GUILTYFRANK ABARNO ARRAIGNED FOR  
PLACING BOMB IN NEW  
YORK CHURCH.New York, March 8.—Frank Abarno,  
an anarchist arrested at St. Patrick's  
cathedral last Tuesday morning after  
detectives stamped out the fuse of a  
lighted bomb which imperiled the  
lives of 800 worshippers, today pleaded  
not guilty to a charge of attempting to  
explode a bomb. Carmine Carbone,  
aged 18, arrested as the master of the  
bomb, entered a similar plea. Both  
were held in \$25,000 bail. Judge  
Swann allowed the men until Thurs-  
day to withdraw or change their pleas.FOILS BAD TIMES  
BY AD CAMPAIGNMAKES BUSINESS INCREASE  
FROM 19 TO 70 PER CENT  
BY USING PAPERS.East St. Louis, Ill., March 8.—The  
results of a remarkable campaign of  
newspaper advertising that brought in  
the midst of the business paralysis  
following the outbreak of the European  
war a maximum gain in business  
of 70 per cent over the trade for the  
same period a year ago, were announ-  
ced yesterday by George M. Brown,  
president of the General Roofing com-  
pany, which has its parent manufac-  
turing center here.Of the \$200,000 that Mr. Brown, to  
the consternation of "conservative" as-  
sociates, scooped from the treasury  
last August for the publicity venture  
that was to transform disaster into  
increments of benefit, a little more  
than \$150,000 has been spent thus far,  
and even were the campaign to end  
now its consequent results would con-  
tinue to arrive during the coming  
months, Mr. Brown says.  
While other manufacturers were be-  
coming the "depression," Mr. Brown's  
concern broadened its scope until  
completely outstripping even the re-  
cord of its most prosperous era, it is  
exhibiting for the months of January  
and February, just ended, a series of  
colossal gains.For these two months Mr. Brown  
says, minimum gain in any depart-  
ment was 19 per cent over the corre-  
sponding period in 1914, when condi-  
tions generally were at or above nor-  
mal.Not one of the company's 1,600 em-  
ployees has been laid off a minute  
since the campaign started.STATE OF VIRGINIA GETS  
PERMIT TO SUE MORGANWashington, D. C., March 8.—The  
supreme court today granted an ap-  
plication of the state of Virginia for  
permission to sue J. P. Morgan for the  
return of the will of Washington.WARNING FOR  
MEXICO HEAD  
IS EMPHATICSerious Move Seen if For-  
eigners Are Not Pro-  
tected in Capital

## ATTITUDE IS CHANGED

White House Keeping Secret  
Plans to Put End to Pre-  
vailing Conditions.Washington, D. C., March 8.—New  
and urgent demands amounting prac-  
tically to a warning have been sent by  
the United States to General Carranza  
demanding improvement of conditions  
in Mexico City. Diplomats familiar  
with the contents of the note which  
Consul Sullivan is instructed to pre-  
sent to Carranza interpret it as an en-  
tire change of policy on the part of  
the Washington government toward  
Mexico.The communication to Carranza,  
drafted after conferences between the  
president, Secretary Bryan and Coun-  
cilor Lansing, was guarded by the  
secretary pending some words from Car-  
ranza as to his attitude. It was said  
by some officials the note contained  
the strongest representations ever  
made to Carranza and indicates the  
American government rapidly is los-  
ing patience with his indifference to  
objectionable acts of General Obregon  
at Mexico City. Those who know the  
contents of the communication said  
it did not threaten force and was not  
in the nature of an ultimatum, but  
pointed out in explicit language the  
consequences that might fol-  
low if the welfare of foreigners con-  
tinued to be disregarded.The cruiser Tascara has been or-  
dered from Port Au Prince, Haiti, to  
Veracruz. Further movements of  
vessels may be decided upon. Some  
foreign diplomats declared themselves  
satisfied that the course of the Ameri-  
can government would produce re-  
sults. One of the ministers who had  
received a cablegram saying the diplo-  
matic corps in Mexico City had de-  
cided to leave cabled his legation  
there saying that after learning the  
serious steps the American govern-  
ment had taken, he advised the corps  
to remain in the capital. Just what  
move is contemplated is known only  
to President Wilson and his closest ad-  
visers.

## Low on War Munitions.

Scarcity of war munitions, it is be-  
lieved here, already has affected Vil-  
la's campaign, and while his forces  
have been making more headway, ac-  
cording to official reports, than those  
of Carranza, the possibility that nei-  
ther faction would be able to win a com-  
plete victory is known to have in-  
fluenced the administration to take its  
stand. Placing of embargo on ship-  
ments of munitions war to Mexico has  
not been considered. Bryan said such  
a move would have little effect, ac-  
cording to officials, because most arms  
and ammunition in the United States  
have been contracted for at high  
prices by European belligerents.In order to give his entire time to  
the European and Mexican questions,  
the president will see White house call-  
ers only an hour Wednesday and  
Thursday during the spring and sum-  
mer. He will be in almost constant  
communication with Secretary Bryan  
and Counselor Lansing. The president  
will be unable to attend the San  
Francisco exposition this month.

## Overdue Steamer Safe.

London, March 8.—The new Ameri-  
can steamer Pacific, for which some  
fear was felt, arrived Saturday at  
Maasluys, Holland. The Pacific from  
Galveston, was detained several days  
at Falmouth upon arrival there. She  
received a clearance Friday and left  
for Rotterdam.THREE ENTOMED  
MINERS ARE DEADOakland City, Ind., March 8.—The  
three men entombed yesterday in the  
Ayrshire mine were found dead today.  
They were placing props in the mine  
when crushed by slate.Hinton, W. Va., March 8.—The re-  
covery of 11 bodies yesterday brought  
the death roll of the Layland mines  
to 96. From best available sources it  
is estimated 20 more dead are buried  
beneath slate falls and debris. All of  
the 47 men rescued Saturday after  
having lived four days and four nights  
without food and drink were reported  
to be in good physical condition and  
it is expected all will recover.

## THE SHAKY PERCH

MAYOR AND JUDGE  
PLACED ON TRIALTERRE HAUTE POLITICAL SCAN-  
DAL RECEIVING FEDERAL  
COURT AIRING.Indianapolis, Ind., March 8.—Mayor  
Roberts of Terre Haute, Judge Red-  
man, Sheriff Snea and 25 other dem-  
ocrats and progressive politicians of  
Terre Haute were placed on trial in  
federal court today, charged with con-  
spiring to corrupt the elections in  
Terre Haute last November.LA TOURAINE NOW  
ON WAY TO PORTLondon, March 8.—A wireless re-  
ceived in Paris at 10 o'clock last night  
from a cruiser which is escorting the  
La Touraine said the fire on the  
French steamer was almost extin-  
guished and that the vessel was  
steaming for her destination, Havre, at  
14 knots an hour.Officials of the line today received  
from Captain Causain the following  
wireless message:"Sunday, March 7, 3:45 p. m.—La  
Touraine having a fire in one of its  
holds asked for help, but is continuing  
the journey to Havre, escorted by the  
steamer Rotterdam. I hope to get con-  
trol of the fire. There is no immediate  
danger. The weather is good but foggy."I hope to dock Monday evening if  
everything goes well.

## Oldest Odd Fellow Dead.

St. Louis Mo., March 8.—Captain  
Aaron B. Hall, more than a half cen-  
tury in charge of steamboats on the  
Mississippi river, is dead, aged 89. He  
is said to have been the oldest Odd  
Fellow in America.

## Judge W. H. Seaman Called.

Chicago, Ill., March 8.—Judge W. H.  
Seaman of the federal court of appeals  
in this district, died today at Cor-  
onado Beach, California. He had been  
a federal judge many years. His  
home was in Wisconsin.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for  
Rock Island, Davenport, Moline  
and Vicinity.Fair tonight and Tuesday. Not  
much change in temperature. With  
the lowest tonight about 15 degrees.  
Temperature at 7 a. m., 22. Highest  
yesterday, 36. Lowest last night, 22.Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 7 miles  
per hour.

Precipitation, none.

Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 79; at  
7 a. m., 89.Stage of water, 5.7; a fall of .3 in  
last 48 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

## ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Evening stars: Saturn, Mars. Morn-  
ing stars: Jupiter, Venus, Mercury.  
The Big Dipper seen approaching the  
pole overhead, due northeast, in the  
late evening.ANOTHER FIRE IN  
EDISON'S FACTORYINVENTOR DIRECTS FIGHT TO  
SAVE VALUABLE PHONO-  
GRAPH RECORDS.West Orange, N. J., March 8.—  
Thomas Edison, at work in his labora-  
tory after midnight today, discovered  
a fire in one of the buildings of his  
great plant and summoned firemen.  
The fire practically destroyed a build-  
ing where most of his valuable phono-  
graph records were stored, but most  
of the records, which were in a con-  
crete vault, were saved. When he saw  
the flames Edison dashed out of the  
laboratory in his shirt sleeves and  
stood outside directing the firemen for  
some time. The inventor was soaked  
to the skin by a hose which was twisted  
out of the hands of the firefighters  
and fell near him.FIVE MONTHS OLD BABE  
DIES SUDDENLY AT HOMEClare Meador, 6-months-old daughter  
of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Meador, 416  
Seventh street, died suddenly at 11  
o'clock Sunday night. The parents  
had been visiting some friends on  
Fourteenth street and Mr. Meador was  
wheeling the baby in its carriage. The  
mother noticed that the child was  
breathing with difficulty as they near-  
ed the home, and Dr. Banta was sum-  
moned, but the baby died a few min-  
utes after he arrived. Congestion of  
the lungs is given as a cause for the  
child's death. Although the baby had  
not been feeling well she had not been  
seriously ill, and the mother is pro-  
strated over her daughter's death.An inquest will be conducted either  
this afternoon or tomorrow morning.  
Funeral services will be conducted  
from the home tomorrow afternoon at  
2 o'clock. Rev. W. H. Tope officiating  
with interment in Chippewa cemetery.

## Want Picture.

Manager A. G. Hill of the local high  
school basketball team received a let-  
ter this morning from some of the  
leading Decatur papers requesting the  
picture of the Islander quintet.ONE GOES UP FOR  
PASSPORT FRAUDNew York, March 8.—Charles  
Ruroede, one of six persons indicted  
for an alleged conspiracy to defraud  
the United States by obtaining false  
passports for German reservists, to-  
day pleaded guilty to one of three in-  
dictments and was sentenced to three  
years.Later four German reservists in-  
dicted with Ruroede withdrew previous  
pleas of not guilty and pleaded guilty.  
In sentencing Ruroede the court  
dwelt upon the possibility of this  
country becoming involved with bellig-  
erent nations had the conspiracy not  
been discovered.THAW IS PUT  
ON TRIAL FOR  
ASYLUM PLOTWhite's Slayer, With Five  
Others, Before New  
York Court

## ESCAPE TWO YEARS AGO

Mother and Sister With Evelyn  
Nesbit's Former Husband  
in New Ordeal.New York, March 8.—The trial of  
Harry Thaw, charged with conspiracy  
to escape from Matteawan asylum, was  
began in the criminal branch of the  
supreme court today. Five men charged  
with assisting in the conspiracy  
were placed on trial with him. In the  
examination of witnesses all defend-  
ants will be allowed five peremptory  
challenges. The mother and sister of  
Thaw were in court. Thaw is in ex-  
cellent health.Five jurors were selected before re-  
cess. The state indicated it would  
seek conviction for conspiracy to es-  
cape from Matteawan, on the grounds  
that, although insane, Thaw had unim-  
paired capacity to conspire. The de-  
fense apparently will seek to show that  
Thaw was sane at the time he escaped,  
or rely upon the prosecution to prove  
this for them.Ever since he was brought back to  
the Tombs, six weeks ago today, Thaw  
has declined to see newspaper men.  
In this respect, it is said, he has ob-  
eyed instructions from his counsel not  
to discuss his case, as he was formerly  
wont to do.When Thaw faced the court today  
his counsel included John B. Standa-  
field, Morgan J. O'Brien and Abel I.  
Smith, formerly assistant United  
States district attorney.  
Opposed to these men and repre-  
senting the state of New York were  
Franklin Kennedy and Frederick  
Cook, deputy attorneys general, while  
James O'Malley, assistant district  
attorney, will represent New York coun-  
ty.Thaw has been prisoner or fugitive  
since the night of June 25, 1906, when  
he shot and killed Stanford White on  
the Madison square garden roof. After  
two trials, the first of which result-  
ed in a disagreement, Thaw was ac-  
quitted on the ground of insanity and  
was sent to Matteawan.Then began his fight for liberty.  
Writs of habeas corpus were obtained  
at various times, requiring his appear-  
ance in court to establish his sanity.  
These proceedings invariably resulted  
unfavorably to him.On Sunday morning, Aug. 17, 1913,  
Thaw escaped from Matteawan in an  
automobile, eluded capture for two  
days, and finally was arrested at Coat-  
itook, Can. He was subsequently re-  
leased by the Canadian authorities  
and sent into Vermont. He fled to  
Colebrook, N. H., where he obtained  
counsel and prepared to fight against  
returning to Matteawan.A writ of habeas corpus was obtain-  
ed from a federal judge at Concord  
and Thaw automatically became a gov-  
ernment charge. Argument on the  
writ was delayed until Governor Fel-  
der of New Hampshire should decide to  
grant or deny the fugitive's extradi-  
tion.

## Case to U. S. Supreme Court.

The governor finally decided that  
Thaw could be extradited, and then  
the case went back to the United  
States supreme court on the broad  
issue that Thaw's rights under the con-  
stitution were being violated; that  
New York, holding him legally insane,  
sought his extradition on a charge of  
conspiracy.Thaw was kept in custody, although  
allowed wide privileges, but was tak-  
en in charge by New York state offi-  
cers about seven weeks ago when the  
supreme court, in passing on the ex-  
tradition proceedings, ruled that Thaw  
could be brought back to this state on  
an indictment for conspiracy.FOOD SCARCITY IS  
CAUSE OF RIOTINGMadrid, March 8.—The economic sit-  
uation in Spain is becoming steadily  
more serious. There have been num-  
erous riots in the provinces as a re-  
sult of the high cost of food. In some  
districts people get food every other  
day. Many families are living on  
herbs and roots. There was fierce riot-  
ing at Laceria from the increased price  
of bread. At Lazaretos a woman driv-  
en mad by privation drowned herself  
and children.